

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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Claim 3. (Amended) A telecommunications or power transport cable according to claim 1, wherein said armoring includes [including] at least one [reinforcing wire or armoring] wire made of composite steel sold under the registered trademark [NUOVINOW] NUOVINOX, said NUOVINOX composite steel wire being made from a tube of stainless steel filled with ground steel particles that are compressed under high pressure within said tube, then placed in a furnace, heated, and drawn to a desired section.

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Claim 4. (Amended) A telecommunications or power transport cable according to claim 1, in which a tube that forms a concentric layer of said cable is provided, wherein said tube [that] is obtained from a sheet made of composite steel having a steel core of a standard type covered in a layer of stainless steel.

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Claim 5. (Amended) A telecommunications or power transport cable according to claim 4, in which [a] said tube that forms a concentric layer of said cable is made of composite steel as sold under the registered trademark NUOVINOX, said NUOVINOX composite steel tube being made from a tube of stainless steel filled with ground steel particles that are compressed under high pressure within said tube, then placed in a furnace, heated, and drawn to a desired section.

Please add the following new claims:

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--6. A telecommunications or power transport cable that is structurally reinforced by incorporating at least one reinforcing wire that is made of composite steel wire having a core of steel of a standard type, and covered in a layer of stainless steel.--

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--7. The telecommunications or power transport cable according to claim 6, wherein
said reinforcing wire is made of composite steel sold under the registered trademark
NUOVINOX, said NUOVINOX composite steel wire being made from a tube of stainless steel
filled with ground steel particles that are compressed under high pressure within said tube, then
placed in a furnace, heated, and drawn to a desired section.--

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--8. The telecommunications or power transport cable according to claim 6, further
comprising a tube that forms a concentric layer of said cable, wherein said tube is obtained from
a sheet made of composite steel having a steel core of a standard type covered in a layer of
stainless steel.--

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--9. The telecommunications or power transport cable according to claim 8, in which
said tube that forms a concentric layer of said cable is made of composite steel as sold under the
registered trademark NUOVINOX, said NUOVINOX composite steel tube being made from a
tube of stainless steel filled with ground steel particles that are compressed under high pressure
within said tube, then placed in a furnace, heated, and drawn to a desired section.--

--10. The telecommunications or power transport cable according to claim 6, further
comprising a plurality of reinforcing wires, each made of composite steel wire having a core of
steel of a standard type, and covered in a layer of stainless steel, said plurality of reinforcing
wires forming an armoring layer of said cable.--